MINUTES OF THE SENATE RETIREMENT AND INDEPENDENT ENTITIES STANDING COMMITTEE TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2009, 7:00 A.M. ROOM 30, HOUSE BUILDING

Members Present: Sen. Dan Liljinguist, Co-Chair

Sen. Curtis Bramble Sen. John Greiner Sen. Gene Davis

Sen. Brent Goodfellow

Members Absent: Sen. Chris Buttars

Staff Present: Benjamin N. Christensen, Policy Analyst

Nicholle Heidrich, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Courtney White, UEA

LeGrand Bitter, Executive Director UASD Jan Johnson, Deputy Director UAGE

Geoff Leonard, Utah School Employees Association

Todd Sutton, Utah Employee Association

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Committee Chair Liljenquist called the meeting to order at 7:14 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Goodfellow moved to approve the minutes for February 27, 2009.

The motion passed unanimously.

1. HB0167 County Hospital Retirement Provisions

Rep. Noel introduced and explained HB0167.

LeGrand Bitter spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Bramble moved to move to the next item on the agenda.

The motion passed unanimously.

After intervening business another motion was made on the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Bramble moved to pass HB0167 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

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The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Bramble moved to place HB0167 on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Liljenquist relinquished the Chair to Sen. Greiner.

2. SB0195 Public Employee Defined Contribution Amendments

Sen. Liljenquist introduced and explained SB0195.

Courtney White, Geoff Leonard, Jan Johnson, and Todd Smith spoke to SB0195.

MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to amend SB0195.

- 1. Page 1, Lines 15 through 17:
 - suspends, for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 only, one-half of the 1.5%
 - employer defined contribution made on behalf of those employees in the Public
 - 17 Employees' Noncontributory Retirement System;
- 2. *Page 3, Lines 74 through 78:*
 - 74 (8) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, for the period that starts
 - with the beginning of the pay period which starting date falls most closely to July 1, 2009 and
 - ending at the end of the pay period which end date falls most closely to June 30, 2010, one-half of the
 - 77 participating employer contribution to a qualified defined contribution plan under Subsections
 - 78 (1)(a) and (b) is suspended for an active member, except for an active member:

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Bramble moved to pass SB0195 as amended out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

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MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Chair Liljenquist adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes reported by Nicholle Heidrich, Secretary.

Sen. Dan Liljenquist, Committee Chair